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Honored and Esteemed

Rev. John B. Whiteman has served for forty years as rector of St. James Episcopal Church of Greenfield, serving that community and its parish including Northfield. A high tribute is paid to him in this month's issue of the Pastoral Staff, the official publication of the diocese, written by Rev. T. Frederick Cooper, former associate and now rector of the Good Shepherd Church in Clinton. He writes:—

"Over the years he has made such a contribution by his life and ministry that it has leavened not only the life of his parish but has spread through his community and has reached out over the whole of Franklin County.

"Here then is a man who by the steady influence of a long, quiet, and sincere ministry in one community, has made his church and his own personal life a source of strength and inspiration to the many thousands who have passed his way. Quakerlike in his love of simplicity, sincere in his disdain of pomp or flattery, scholarly devout and philanthropic, John B. Whiteman has won the respect and affection of all who have ever known or worked with him."

The many members of the parish and adherents of the faith in Northfield and its vicinity unite with Mr. Cooper in the expression of esteem and pray that God may spare their spiritual leader for many years of future leadership.

Fortnightly Meet

Members of the Fortnightly met at Alexander Hall, Friday afternoon the first in regular session with Mr. George Sheldon presiding who introduced the guest speaker, William J. Read, field secretary of the Savings Bank Life Insurance organization of Boston.

Music was provided by Miss Jean Goodell, violinist, and Miss Rosa Ann Sundt, accompanist, both of the Northfield School for Girls.

An invitation was received from the Greenfield Womens Club to attend a luncheon at the Weldon Hotel when Mrs. LaFell Dickinson, president of the National federation will be a guest.

Tea was served by Mrs. Marshall Lanphear, Mrs. L. R. Kirk, Mrs. Fred B. Kelley and Mrs. Ernest Leavitt. At the next meeting, March 15, there will be an illustrated talk on "Nutrition and Public Health".

Mrs. Mary Welch Dies

Mrs. Mary Jane Welch, who has made her home for some years with her niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Dickinson of Mount Hermon, died Monday, February 18, after a brief illness. She was born November 24, 1846, in Sackville, New Brunswick, and was nearly one hundred years old. Her husband died in 1905. Surviving are several nieces and nephews. The body was taken to New Brunswick for burial the following Wednesday.

Mrs. S. J. Martineau of South Vernon has gone to Hanover, N. H. to enter the Mary Hitchcock hospital for medical treatment.

Mrs. Angie Haradon

Mrs. Angie S. Haradon, widow of the late Hubert Haradon, formerly a long time resident of this town, died Friday, March 1st, at a convalescent home in Amherst at the age of 80 years. After the death of her husband and the selling of the home on Winchester Road, she went to South Deerfield to live with a sister, but upon her death because of ill health and gradual blindness she was cared for in convalescent homes in Greenfield, Leverett and Amherst. She was born in Leyden, July 30, 1865, the daughter of Johnathan and Mary (Carpenter) Brooks. Mrs. Haradon was of sterling Christian character and was an active member of the Baptist Church of Greenfield. Surviving are a sister, Mrs. B. N. Miner of South Deerfield and a grandson, the child of an adopted daughter who died a few years ago. There are several nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held in Greenfield in the Shepard Funeral Home Sunday afternoon following with Rev. Ralph L. Rood, pastor of the Baptist Church, officiating. Entombment was in the Green River Cemetery and burial will take place in the spring.

Mrs. James B. Murray

A brief telegram to the Press, announced that on Saturday, February 23rd, Mrs. Alma Van De Bogart Murray, of 19 Dudley Place, Yonkers, N. Y., widow of the late James B. Murray, lawyer, died at her home after a long illness. Mrs. Murray was actively interested in the work of the YWCA for many years and at one time was a member of the National Committee. She was also much interested in the work of the First Presbyterian Church of which she was a member and active in its efforts. Both Mr. and Mrs. Murray had spent many summer seasons in Northfield and they were well known here, having a residence on Ashuelot Hill. They were interested in the work of Dwight L. Moody, in the summer conferences and in the local church. Mrs. Murray was born in Canaan, N. Y. She leaves two daughters, Miss Janet Murray of Yonkers and Mrs. Hamilton F. Potter of Smithtown, N. Y.; five sons, James G., and Peyton, of New York City; Archibald, of Summit, N. J.; Alexander and Hamilton Murray, of Yonkers.

Fletcher-Eddy

Miss Mary Elizabeth Eddy, daughter of Mrs. Arthur Eddy of this town and John Fletcher of Detroit were married Tuesday afternoon, February 26th, by Dr. George A. Bronson, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Savcheff on Main Street. It was a private ceremony with only the interested parties attending. Mr. Fletcher is connected with the Youth Hostel and the young couple will make their home in town.

The town of Warwick has appointed a committee to make arrangements for Old Home Week and old residents Reunion which will be held again this summer, probably in August.

The homes of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Jones; Mr. and Mrs. John Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hammond at the Farms have been improved with the addition of insulation shingles on the outside.

Marriage Announced

The marriage of Miss Barbara Rose Addison, daughter of Mrs. Mildred Addison of this town and Edmond W. Brassor, son of Mr. Frank Brassor of West Northfield, has been announced. The ceremony took place in Brattleboro, Vt., on Thursday, February 21st, with Rev. R. Perry Bartlett of the Baptist Church officiating.

The bride attended the Northfield School for Girls and is a sophomore at the Fitchburg State Teachers College. Mr. Brassor attended the local schools and was graduated from the Greenfield High School. He enlisted in the Navy in 1942 and served for three years in the Pacific area. He recently received his discharge.

Injured at Ski Meet

While attending the Ski Meet at Brattleboro on Washington's birthday, the Rev. C. O. Dunham of Grafton, Vt., was an interested spectator and occupied a position forward where he might readily observe the performance of the competitors. As one of the participants came off the slide, the jumper's skis flew off and struck Mr. Dunham a glancing blow on his head, inflicting a bad cut. He was attended immediately by Dr. Wheeler and given first aid and then removed to the Brattleboro Hospital for treatment. After being cared for he was discharged and returned to his home at Grafton. Mr. Dunham with his family are summer residents of East

Glee Club Concert

Under the auspices of the "Friends of Prisoners" and for its benefit, the Glee Club and the Band of Mount Hermon school will give a concert in the auditorium of the High school in Greenfield on Saturday evening, March 30 at eight o'clock. The two organizations will comprise about seventy students, under the leadership of Albert R. Raymond and with Carlton L'Hommedieu as accompanist. Mrs. William R. Moody, who is chairman of the Greenfield branch of the "Friends of Prisoners", is anxious to raise a thousand dollars through gifts and by means of the concert for the organization and its most valued program. Our citizens are invited to lend their support and tickets for the concert may be found at the Bookstore and at the Northfield Pharmacy. A list of prominent and interested people are sponsoring the concert.

Dr. Howard L. Rubendall of Mount Hermon was a recent speaker at the Emma Willard school at Troy, N. Y., where he also addressed the Ministerial association.

Mrs. William A. White, who sold her home on Birnam Road to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gray, is now residing in Worcester, Mass., at 4 Homestead Ave. The editor suggests that friends here drop a card of greeting and of cheer.

Northfield and have a cottage in the Highlands.

London To and Fro

Supper in London with supper in Northfield the next day was the experience of Monroe Smith, director of the American Youth Hostel organization, who made the crossing of the Atlantic in about twelve hours and arrived in Northfield, Sunday evening, March 3. Mr. Smith had flown across to attend a meeting of delegates of the International organization, which represented several countries in its sessions in Paris. He was chosen a member of the International executive committee and visited several countries, finally arranging for a visit of a hundred hostellers from America to go abroad this summer and render aid in the restoration of their hostels. Mr. Smith saw much of the destruction caused by the war in England, France, Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg which was depressing but in the faces of the people, despite their suffering and despair, he visioned a hopeful attitude in their living for the future.

Staff Sgt. Charles R. Gredler has received his discharge from army service which he began three years ago. He went overseas in April, 1945 and was at Iwo Jima and Manila, winning three battle stars. He is at the home of his mother, Rev. Hazel R. Gredler, at her home on Birnam Road.

Mrs. Cora Ware of Main Street suffered a fall recently and broke her arm. She is at her home making a good recovery.



Mrs. Jones gave a party last night, and everyone certainly had a good time. Yes, Mrs. Jones knows the ingredients of a successful party—good food, entertainment, music, a bright and cheerful house.

THE LEAST EXPENSIVE PART OF THE PARTY..

When it was over, Mrs. Jones figured it up and found that the party had cost \$15.68. Quite a lot of money, Mrs. Jones thought, but well worth it. What she didn't realize was that the least expensive part of the party contributed the most to its success. Electricity.

Electric lights made the house gay and cheerful, the electric range, refrigerator and coffee percolator helped with the refreshments, the radio-phonograph supplied music, and Mr. Jones showed color movies on his home movie projector.

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CARNIVAL QUEEN

At Massachusetts State college recently was observed the annual winter carnival and the Springfield papers pictured the event in its editions of Sunday, February 24. Miss Janet Kehl, daughter of Mrs. Shirley Kehl of this town, was crowned as Queen of the carnival, who presided with the members of her throughout the day and ending with the reception and ball in the evening.

GAVE HER A SHOWER

Friends and neighbors to the number of thirty-two gathered at the home of Mrs. Waldo Hutchins on Winchester road Wednesday evening, February 27, to tender a pink and blue shower to Mrs. Hubert Eastman. The party was planned by Mrs. J. Lee Bolton and Mrs. Roy A. Barrows and Mrs. Eastman received many gifts. Refreshments were served.

BRIESMASTER-KAIROTT

The marriage of Miss Natalie Marie Kairott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gustave W. Kairott of Hartford, Conn., to Mr. Harold A. Briesmaster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick H. Briesmaster of this town, took place Saturday afternoon, March 2, at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. H. Wesley Sargent in Broad Brook, Conn.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Virbrook Nutter before a mantle decoration of white roses with a background of palms.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white nylon with short train, long sleeves, yoke and panels of French lace, and a coronet styled cap with finger-tip length veil of net. She carried a bouquet of white orchids, roses and stephanotis. The bride's only attendant was her cousin, Mrs. George Steimann of New York, as matron of honor. She wore a gown of powder blue crepe with a shirred net head-dress of matching color and carried yellow roses and pink sweet peas.

Mr. Robert L. de Veer of Yonkers, N. Y., was best man. Ushers were Mr. Arthur Kairott, brother of the bride, and Mr. George Steimann of New York. Mr. Steimann sang the solo, "Because", accompanied by Mrs. Andrew Hansen.

The mother of the bride wore black and fuchsia crepe, the groom's mother, black velvet. Their corsages were of orchids.

Following the reception a catered luncheon was served.

Mr. Briesmaster was recently discharged from the Army after serving four years, two of which were in the Pacific area.

After a wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Briesmaster will reside in East Northfield.

GAVE HISTORY TALK

The annual dinner of the Historical society was held Tuesday evening, the 5th, at the Bronson Inn with many members attending and the president, Miss Elsie Scott, presiding. The guest speaker was Judge Francis Nims Thompson of the county probate court, who spoke on George Sheldon, the author of the "history of Northfield" of 1875. Judge Thompson revealed many historical facts and referred to many historical events in which both Deerfield and Northfield had much in common.

TOWN TOPICS

Vernal Hurlbut, who has returned from the service, has been appointed to his old post as manager of the local A and P store. His friends are extending a real welcome.

Miss Ruth Florence Allen and Raymond C. Gould, both of South Vernon, were married Sunday, March 3, in the Vernon Union church by Rev. Ellis E. Jones, the pastor. Miss Shirley Gould, sister of the groom, was bridesmaid and best man was Francis Fournier. The couple will make their home in South Vernon.

Richard Tyler, formerly of this town, who has been manager of the A and P store in Brattleboro for several years, has purchased and will operate a restaurant in Hinsdale.

KENHOLME TO OPEN

Kenholme, the large house used as a residence by the Kendrick family on Highland Ave. at the corner of Glenwood Ave., will open as a convalescent home on March 28th, when Mrs. Stella Hart of Greenfield, who recently purchased the property will remove her patients from Greenfield to the new home. The house has undergone much repair and improvement inside and will be continued to the exterior in the spring, when weather permits. Several nurses will be attached to the new institution.

RESIGNS HER WORK

Mrs. Margaret D. Smolen has resigned her position as substitute clerk at the East Northfield Postoffice effective February 16th. She began her work on July 1, 1942, serving until Alfred O. LaBelle, recently discharged from the service assumed the post.

Town Topics

Friends who have overlooked sending their contributions for the Salvation Army campaign by check, should do so at once as the appeal will close this week. Send checks to William F. Hoehn, treasurer. Solicitation by Salvation Army officials will be made later, house to house as usual.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Glen Murray, who recently returned from their wedding trip, were given a reception at the South Vernon church Wednesday evening, the 27th. Many attended the surprise party and a program of music was rendered with refreshments served.

TOWN OFFICERS NAMED

At their recent meeting, the selectmen of the town have appointed the following officials: Mrs. Frank Montague, trustee of the Martha Alexander fund; Ralph Gibson, superintendent of roads; Frank Anderson, gypsy moth agent; Herman Fisher, Carleton Holton, Edward Bolton, Clifford Bolton, Charles Gilbert, George Barlow, Fred Blanchard, James Dresser, deputy forest fire wardens; George Dunnell, Myron Dunnell, Clarence Spaulding, Fred Kelley, Richard Borrows, Robert Schepp, public weighers; Lucky O. Clapp, Lawrence Hammond, fence viewers; Dr. George Bronson, pound-keeper; James Dresser, Fred Bolton, surveyors of wood and timber; Robert Schepp, James Dale, Clarence Webber, field drivers; Horace Bolton, dog officer; Charles Johnson, registrar of voters.

PARAMOUNT

BRATTLEBORO

Sun.-Thurs. March 10-14

Bandit of Sherwood Forest

Cornel Wilde, Anita Louise

Fri.-Sat. March 15-16

NOTORIOUS LONE WOLF

Duncan Renaldo, Armida

SOUTH OF RIO GRANDE

Gerald Mohr, Janis Carter

LATCHIS MEMORIAL BRATTLEBORO AUDITORIUM

2:15

6:30

8:30

Fri.-Sat. March 8-9

FRONTIER GAL

Yvonne De Carlo Rod Cameron

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Sun.-Wed. March 10-13

SAILOR TAKES A WIFE

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Thurs.-Sat. March 14-16

TANGIER

Maria Montez Sabu

Louise Allbritton

Sun.-Mon. March 10-11

PRIDE OF MARINES

John Garfield Eleanor Parker

Tues. March 12

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